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SUBJECT: US/ BRAZIL TEXTILE NEGOTIATIONS

1. EMBASSY RECEIVED FEBRUARY 27 AIDE-MEMOIRE FROM FOREIGN MINISTRY STATING THAT THE GOB AGREES TO COMMENCE BILATERAL TEXTILE NEGOTIATIONS ON MARCH 15. THE FULL TEXT OF THE AIDE-MEMOIRE READS AS FOLLOWS:

WITH REFERENCE TO THE CONVERSATION WITH THE UNITED STATES EMBASSY, IN BRASILIA, CONCERNING THE REALIZATION OF THE NEGOTIATIONS AIMING AT AN EVENTUAL CONCLUSION OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES WITH RESPECT TO THE EXPORT OF BRAZILIAN COTTON TEXTILES FOR THE AMERICAN MARKET, UNDER THE LEGAL FRAMEWORK OF ARTICLE 4 OF THE INTERNATIONAL TEXTILE TRADE AGREEMENT (MULTIFIBERS AGREEMENT), THE BRAZILIAN GOVERNMENT IS WILLING TO GO AHEAD WITH SUCH NEGOTIATIONS, STARTING MARCH 15, 1976, IN WASHINGTON.

2. EMBOFF WAS INFORMED BY SECRETARY EDUARDO FARIAS OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY'S COMMERICAL POLICY DIVISION THAT THE GOB WOULD SEND FROM BRASILIA A TEAM OF SEVEN REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE TEXTILE TALKS AND THAT THIS TEAM WOULD PROBABLY BE THE SAME FOR THE MARCH 11-12 SUB-GROUP ON UNCLASSIFIED

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TRADE MEETING. (FARIAS ESTIMATES THAT THERE WOULD BE UP TO THREE

REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE BRAZILIAN EMBASSY). IN ANY EVENT, MINISTER SERGIO ROUANET, CHIEF OF THE COMMERCIAL POLICY DIVISION, WOULD HEAD BOTH DELEGATIONS. FARIAS WILL ALSO ATTEND BOTH MEETINGS; THESE TWO BEING THE ONLY REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE FOREIGN MINISTRY (THE OTHER MINISTRIES HAVE NOT YET DETERMINED THEIR REPRESENTATIVES). FARIAS RECENTLY RETURNED FROM THE BRAZIL-EC TEXTILE TALKS IN BRUSSELS.

3. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING AN EARLY INDICATION, EVEN IF INCOMPLETE, OF THE COMPOSITION OF OUR DELEGATIONS FOR BOTH THE TEXTILE NEGOTIATIONS AND THE SUB-GROUP ON TRADE.
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